

# 2011 Bison Bicycle Classic

## Oklahoma State Road Race

## Championships

### Race Book

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Welcome to the 11<sup>th</sup> annual *Bison Bicycle Classic* and the 1<sup>st</sup> *Bison Classic USAC Road Race* sponsored by the **Pedalers Cycling Club, DNA Racing Team** and **PG-13 Cycling**, raising funds for the Shawnee chapter of Habitat for Humanity. The Bison Classic is held in conjunction with the Bison Bicycle Classic tour sponsored by OBU Division of Music. Through the years the Bison Classic has raised more than \$15,000 for Habitat for Humanity. Thank you for your support this year, as well as past years, and we hope your racing experience with us is a good one!

The Race Book is an attempt to give racers as much information about the event as possible. Updated information will continue to be made available on the OBU website at [www.okbu.edu/music/BBC](http://www.okbu.edu/music/BBC). Racers are encouraged to read the Race Book before the event and familiarize themselves with the route and the simple rules included

The following headings indicate the major elements of the race of which participants need to be aware.

**DISCLAIMER:** The Bison Bicycle Classic is a sanctioned race and each racing group will have the support of motorcycle escorts, an official truck, a wheel truck, and course marshal monitored intersections but all of the roads are open to traffic. Participants who are not immediately surrounded by race support should obey all state traffic laws. Participants *must* obey directions from race staff during the event. Thank you for your support!

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## **Registration and Packet Pick-Up**

ALL RACERS, other than Beginners and juniors MUST PRE-REGISTER ON-LINE at USA Cycling!

On-line registration is available at [www.usacycling.com](http://www.usacycling.com) until Midnight, Thursday, September 22.

On-site registration for Beginners (Women Cat 5 and Men Cat 4) and Juniors ONLY will be available beginning at 8:00 a.m. on the day of the event in the Race Check-in area at the OBU Recreation and Wellness Center. One-day licenses for Beginners and Juniors will also be available for purchase at the Race Check-in area.

Racers must present their valid annual racing license and photo-id and sign a race waiver at Check-In.

Juniors Racers must have a parent present to sign their racing waiver.

Participants may pick up packets on the day of the event beginning at 7:30 a.m.

### **Pre-Race Food / Drinks**

We will offer assorted fruit, muffins and breakfast foods at the OBU Recreation and Wellness Center beginning around 7:30 a.m. Water and Gatorade will also be available. There will also be drinks and fruit at the finish line.

### **Bib Numbers**

Please pin your race number to the back of your jersey on the *right* side. The bottom of the bib should run parallel to the side seams of your jersey. Please remember that this is a USAC sanctioned event and as such, crinkling or alteration of race bibs is not allowed. Remember that this rule is in force to assist the finish line officials in identifying you and other racers for a more accurate order of finish.

### **Helmets**

CPSC approved helmets are required of all participants.

### **Inclement Weather**

The race will take place rain or shine. In the event of severe weather, race officials will determine the best time to commence the start and reserve the right to cancel the race in case of on-going severe weather.

In addition, in the event of extremely hot or inclement weather, the race officials and promoter reserve the right to shorten the race course.

### **Course Markings**

The race course is marked with *orange* arrows for directional purposes. In addition, there are other warning/information markings in the same color on the road itself. All turns will be double-marked at least twice before the turn and once after the turn.

### **Neutral Start**

There will be a neutral start of all racers leaving the OBU Recreation and Wellness Center. Please stay behind the pace vehicle until it and motorcycles pull to the side and the race official waves racers through to begin the race. The race will commence just north of the I-40 and SH 18 intersection. Passing the lead vehicles during the neutral start will result in immediate disqualification from the race. There will *not* be a stop and re-start after the neutral start.

## Race Starts and Staging

Racers should begin assembling in their designated staging area on University Drive in front of the OBU Wellness and Aerobics Center 20 minutes before their race is scheduled to depart. Staging areas will be marked by signs and volunteers will be directing racers to their staging areas.

**Please note that in addition to our USAC-sanctioned race, the OBU Division of Music will also be staging 50 mile and 25 mile charity tours which will also depart at 9am. The tours depart from the race staging area but follow a different course. The race goes North and East of town while the tours head south and west of town.**

We will stage the Mens P/1/2 race for their 9am departure in the NORTH lane of University Drive while the 50 mile tour will be staging next to the P/1/2 Men in the SOUTH lane of University Drive. The Men P/1/2 will depart at 9am and the 50 mile tour riders will follow them with a 1 minute gap.

We will stage the Mens Cat 3 race for their 9:10am departure in the NORTH lane of University Drive while the 25 mile tour will be staging next to the Cat 3 Men in the SOUTH lane of University Drive. The Cat 3 Men will depart at 9:10am and the 25 mile tour riders will follow them with a 1 minute gap.

Race	Racing Category	Staging Time	Start Time
A	Men Pro/1/2	8:40	9:00
B	Men 3	8:50	9:10
C	Men 4, Men JR 15-16, JR 17-18	9:00	9:20
D	Mens Masters 40-49, 50-59, 60+	9:10	9:30
E	Women 1/2/3, Women Masters 40+	9:20	9:40
F	Men 5	9:30	9:50
G	Women 4, Women JR 15/16, 17/18	9:40	10:00
H	Boys 10-14, Girls 10-14	9:40	10:02

## Wheel Support

All races will be wheels in / wheels out (unless there are over 20 sets of wheels supplied) and will be supported by volunteers driving the wheel trucks for each race. The rider is responsible for conducting the wheel change and other mechanical support. Bring wheels to the support vehicle at the staging area no later than 10 minutes before the race start. Wheels must be picked up from the designated area near the finish line within 30 minutes of the race finish. The race promoter is not responsible for the riders' wheels. **Please mark all wheels clearly in order to facilitate quicker wheel changes.**

### **Feed Zone / Food Support**

There is no neutral water or food on the course. Racers are welcome to have people placed at **North Rock Creek School** (see course map labeled "Feed Zone") for a safe feed zone experience (approximately 24 miles into the race). The feed zone is marked and is on the slight incline to the east of the school parking lot. Water bottles may be tossed in the feed zone or to any course marshal on the course. Please do not litter (including discarded gel wrappers.) We will fine litterers!!!

### **Following Races / Caravan**

There will be no caravan. Private vehicles may not follow any of the road races. Failure to comply will result in disqualification of the team and possible fines to the driver.

### **Race Finish**

The race finish is approximately 150 yards south of MacArthur Street. Road markings and/or signage will indicate 4 miles, 3 miles, 2 miles, and 1 mile to finish, including 400, 300, and 200 yard markings as you approach the finish line. Operations tents on each side of the finish line will indicate the approximate location of the finish line, which will be a marked line across both lanes of traffic near the top of the rise before MacArthur Street.

Racers are welcome to stay at the finish area as long as they wish to see other riders come across. **Restrooms will be available in Heritage Church** on the west side of Bryant Street approximately 500 yards south of the finish. Parking will also be available at Heritage Church for those wishing to view the finish. Racer and Spectator traffic will be controlled by course marshals but allowed in the south-bound lanes of Bryan Street between the finish line and Heritage Church. Racers re-entering the race course in the North Bound lanes following their race will be disqualified in the post-race results!

### **Race "Mixing"**

This is a sanctioned race. Racers who have fallen back from their race group may not assist racers from another race nor may they receive assistance from racers from another race to work back to their own race. Racers doing this will be disqualified.

Please note that races C (Men 4 and Mens JR 15/16, 17/18) , D (Mens Masters 40-49, 50-59, and 60+), E (Women 1/2/3 and Masters 40+) and G (Women 4 and Women JR 15/16, 17/18) contain more than one group racing for separate prize pots as well as separate Championship jerseys and medals. The groups in these races will also be scored separately. Racers within these multi-group races may work together.

## Prizes

All USAC licensed racers from any state are eligible for cash prizes. ONLY annual licensed Oklahoma racers are eligible for medals and Oklahoma State Championship jerseys. State Championship jerseys will be awarded in all racing categories except Men 5. The first five places in Cat 4 Women will receive merchandise prizes. Medals will be awarded to the first five places in the Junior and Cat 5 Men races. Per current BRAOK bylaws, Masters Women must sign up for either Women 1/2/3 or Women 40+. Podium presentations and race payouts will be held near the registration area at OBU 30 minutes after each category's race results are declared official (following a 15 minute protest period at the conclusion of each race).

Race	Racing Category	Prizes	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>
A	Men Pro/1/2	\$600	\$125	100	80	65	55	45	40	35	30	25
B	Men 3	\$350	\$100	70	50	40	30	25	20	15	--	--
C	Men 4	\$150	\$50	40	30	20	10	--	--	--	--	--
C	Men JR 15-16	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	--	--	--	--	--
C	Men JR 17-18	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	--	--	--	--	--
D	Mens Masters 40-49	\$150	\$50	40	30	20	10	--	--	--	--	--
D	Mens Masters 50-59	\$150	\$50	40	30	20	10	--	--	--	--	--
D	Mens Masters 60+	\$150	\$50	40	30	20	10	--	--	--	--	--
E	Women 1/2/3	\$350	\$100	70	50	40	30	25	15	--	--	--
E	Women Masters 40+	\$150	\$50	40	30	20	10	--	--	--	--	--
F	Men 5	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	--	--	--	--	--
G	Women 4	Merchandise	(1 <sup>st</sup> through 5 <sup>th</sup> place)					--	--	--	--	--
G	Women JR 15/16	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	--	--	--	--	--
G	Women JR 17/18	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	--	--	--	--	--
H	Boys 10-14	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	--	--	--	--	--
H	Girls 10-14	Medals	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	--	--	--	--	--

## Results

Race results will be reported to the USAC for rankings. Results will be posted at the finish line at the conclusion of each race for review. Following a fifteen minute protest period, Official results will be posted at the finish line and near the Race Check-in area at OBU. Podium presentations and race payouts will be held on the OBU Campus near the Race Check-in area 30 minutes after each category's race results are declared official.

## Return to OBU after Race Finish

Racers will return to OBU at their own pace following MacArthur Street west back to OBU— follow the road markings and signs! OBU is approximately 2 miles from the finish area. Food and other refreshments will be available at the Recreation and Wellness Center. Participants are welcome to use the facility before and after the ride.

## Route Information

A race map is located on the OBU Website at [www.okbu.edu/music/BBC](http://www.okbu.edu/music/BBC), and is included in this race manual. The routes for Senior, Master, and Junior racers vary from 37 miles to 87 miles in length, including the three-mile neutral roll-out.

Racers must remember that the north part of the course contains a twenty-mile loop which begins at the corner of Garrett's Lake Road and Valley View Rd (9A). Depending on your race, you will ride the loop from 0 to 3 times. Race A will complete 3 loops. Race B will complete 2 loops. Races C, D and E will complete 1 loop. Race officials and corner marshals will assist you in making sure you continue straight on Garrett's Lake Road (west) or turn south on SH 9A as required for your race. See the map and turn-by-turn instructions in this packet for details.

Races F (Men Cat 5) and G (Women Cat 4 and Women JR 15/16, 17/18) will not include the loop beginning at Garrett's Lake Road and Valley View. These two races will instead turn directly south on Valley View and then complete an additional loop at the finish. These two races will continue through the finish line and complete a six-mile loop before finishing their race at the finish line at the conclusion of this loop. See the map and turn-by-turn instructions in this packet for details.

Race H for Boys 10-14 and Girls 10-14 starts and ends at the same place as all other races but is contained south of I-40. See the map and turn by turn instructions in this packet for details.

The course is a challenging mix of short and long hills, as well as several miles of flat or nearly-flat terrain. The course is marked with *orange* arrows on the road before and after turns, and corner marshals will be assisting riders at important intersections. Although the course will be well-marked and marshaled, it is still the responsibility of the rider to know the course!

## **Rumble Strip Alert**

Approximately 3 miles of the route on Highland St (Hwy 3E) has a rumble strip on the shoulder. Racers with official caravan support may ride on the left or the right of the rumble strip – this is up to you. Racers who have fallen back and do not have official caravan support at the time of the turn on Highland St (Hwy 3E) are encouraged to ride to the *right* of the rumble strip for safety. The rumble strip starts shortly after turning off of Valley View (Hwy 9A) onto Highland Street (SH 3E).

## **SAG Support / Wheel Truck / Personal SAG Vehicles**

There will be one wheel truck following each race. Wheels are wheels in/wheels out, unless there are more than 20 sets of wheels in the race, then the wheel support will be neutral. Wheel truck drivers will not provide mechanical assistance but will assist riders as much as possible. Should you need wheel truck support, please roll to the back of your group and raise an arm and a vehicle following the race will assist you as soon as possible. In the event that breakaway groups are established in races, at the race official's discretion, the wheel truck and other support vehicles will move ahead of the pack to support the break. Private team vehicles, pace cars, or other vehicles will not be allowed on the course.

## **Vehicle Support**

Each race will have at least one motorcycle leading the race leaders and one wheel truck and officials car following the race's lead pack. Racers who fall off the lead pack should be careful to look for traffic (remember, this is NOT a closed course!) and observe traffic signs when they feel it is necessary. Additional motorcycle and vehicle support will be utilized throughout the course – however, we cannot guarantee vehicle support for riders who fall off the lead pace of their race.

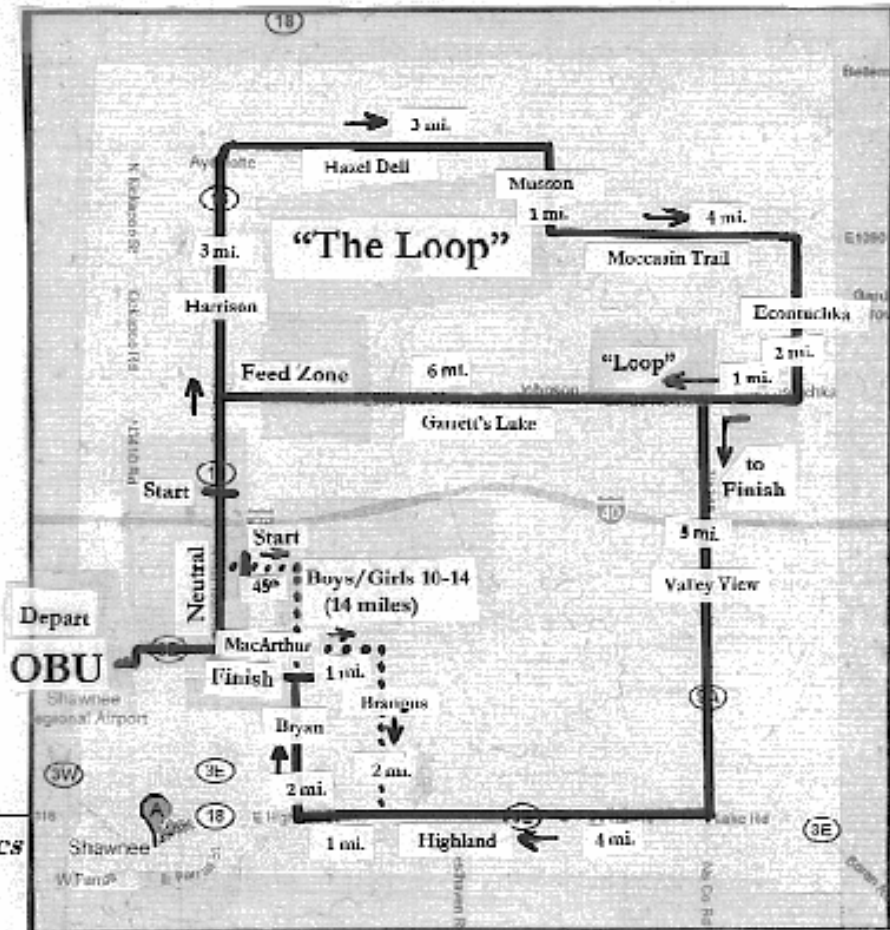
Racers should be advised that the race support caravan may, at the race official's discretion, ask that your group go neutral or take particular care in a certain section if conditions warrant. We do not expect this to happen; however, the safety of all is important to us, and we reserve the right to alter the race situation to ensure this. Please obey verbal instructions from race vehicles if such an instance occurs.

## **Yellow Line Rule**

The yellow line / center line rule will be in force for this race. The race course is *not* closed to traffic. Some roads do not have a painted line – please attempt to stay inside the right half of the road at all times for safety. Once past the finish barricades (approximately one mile from finish) racers have both north-bound lanes of Bryan Street (see inset map of race finish).

# 2011 Bison Classic USAC Road Race Course Map

Shawncc, Oklahoma  
September 24, 2011



## Races and Distances

- 14 Miles See Map  
Boys/Girls 10/14
- 37 Miles Outer Perimeter + Jr 10-14 Loop  
Women 4  
Women JRs 15/16, 17/18  
Men 5
- 47 Miles Outer Perimeter + One Loop  
Women 1/2/3  
Women Masters 40+  
Men 4  
Men JRs 15/16, 17/18  
Men Masters 40-49  
Men Masters 50-59  
Men Masters 60+
- 67 Miles Outer Perimeter + Two Loops  
Men 3
- 87 Miles Outer Perimeter + Three Loops  
Men Pro/1/2

### **Race course turn by turn directions for Races A-G**

From Staging area at OBU on University Drive in front of the Recreation and Aerobics Center

½ mile East to Kickapoo

North (L) on Kickapoo ¼ mile to MacArthur Street (RIDE CAREFULLY HERE!!! BAD ROAD SURFACE!!!)

East (R) on MacArthur 1 mile to Harrison (Hwy 18)

North (L) on Harrison (Hwy 18) 2 miles to the end of Neutral Rollout (½ mile past I-40)

Continue North on Harrison (Hwy 18) 4 miles to Hazel Dell Road

East (R) on Hazel Dell Road 3 miles to Musson Road

South (R) on Musson Road 1 mile to Moccasin Trail

(USE CAUTION AT THIS TURN OFF OF MUSSON!!! DOWNHILL, BLIND TURN WITH NO SHOULDERS!!!)

East (L) on Moccasin Trail 4 miles to Econtuchka Road

South (R) on Econtuchka Road 2 miles to Garrett's Lake Road

West (R) on Garrett's Lake Road 1 mile to Valley View Road (Hwy 9A)

**(This intersection is the beginning of the Loop and the turn to the Finish)**

**(To begin the Loop, continue 6 miles west on Garrett's Lake Road then North on Harrison (Hwy 18)**

**Race A** will complete the loop 3 times then turn toward the finish

**Race B** will complete the loop 2 times then turn toward the finish

**Races C, D and E** will complete the loop 1 time toward the finish

**Races F and G** will proceed directly towards the finish

### **To the Finish Line:**

South (L) on Valley View Rd (Hwy 9A) 5 miles to Highland Street (Hwy 3E)

West (R) on Highland Street (Hwy 3E) 5 miles to Bryan Street

North (R) on Bryan Street 2 miles to Finish Line

**Notes:** The finish line is just before the crest of the hill approximately 150 yards south of MacArthur.

On race day, Bryan will be blocked to vehicle traffic for the final mile of the race from the

Independence Street intersection and racers will have both north-bound lanes for their finish.

**Special Finishing Instructions for Races F and G (Cat 4 Women/JRs 15/16, 17/18 and Cat 5 Men)**

**Note:** The “Mile to Go” signs on Hwy 3E do not include the additional finishing loop you will be making.

The first time up Bryan Street Races F and G will proceed through the finish line to MacArthur Street

East (R) on MacArthur Street 1 mile to Brangus Street

South (R) on Brangus Street 2 miles to Highland Street (Hwy 3E)

West (R) on Highland Street 1 mile to Bryan Street

North (R) on Bryan Street 2 miles to Finish Line

**Race course turn by turn directions for Race H (Girls 10-14 and Boys 10-14)**

From Staging area at OBU on University Drive in front of the Recreation and Aerobics Center

½ mile East to Kickapoo

North (L) on Kickapoo ¼ mile to MacArthur Street (RIDE CAREFULLY HERE!!! BAD ROAD SURFACE!!!)

East (R) on MacArthur 1 mile to Harrison (Hwy 18)

North (L) on Harrison (Hwy 18) 1 mile to 45<sup>th</sup> Street

East (R) on 45<sup>th</sup> Street to the end of Neutral Rollout (¼ mile past the turn)

Continue East on 45<sup>th</sup> Street one mile to Bryan Street

South (R) on Bryan Street 1 mile to MacArthur Street

East (L) on MacArthur Street 1 mile to Brangus Road

South (R) on Brangus Street 2 miles to Highland Street (Hwy 3E)

West (R) on Highland Street 1 mile to Bryan Street

North (R) on Bryan Street 2 miles through the Finish Line to MacArthur

East (R) on MacArthur Street 1 mile to Brangus Road

South (R) on Brangus Street 2 miles to Highland Street (Hwy 3E)

West (R) on Highland Street 1 mile to Bryan Street

North (R) on Bryan Street 2 miles to the Finish Line

# Contact Information

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